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FOR: FURNITURE HINGE WITH DAMPING DEVICE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2008,
Applicant respectfully responds as follows:

An Election of Species begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

ELECTION OF SPECIES:

The Patent Examiner has required the selection of one of the following four Species for further prosecution:

Species A: FIG. 1, Claims 18 and 23;

Species B: FIG. 9, Claims 17 and 19;

Species C: FIG. 17, Claims 20, 21, 22 and 24; or

Species D: FIG. 25, Claims 25 and 26.

with Claims 14-16 being generic.

ELECTION:

Applicant respectfully elects, with traverse, Species C, FIG. 17, for further prosecution, with Claims 20, 21, 22 and 24 readable thereon and Claims 14-16 generic.